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From Richard Allen

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My dear Friend:

I do not like to let our valued visitor, Geo. Bendinn, who has been amongst us for more than a week, leave us, without letting Him that we often recur to the interesting days we have spent amongst us, and that our much loved companion, R. D. Royse, whose memory is embalmed in the hearts of many, as well as ours, and that we should treasure the pleasant hours we have spent in his company, by a circle of warm & loving hearts, these specks of time subjects do deeply interesting to us as human beings does Christianity.

Isolated as we are here, and removed from being able to occupy any prominent position in the great struggle for human freedom, I allude more particularly to the

Antislavery cause — I trust some of us feel,
nevertheless,
that we must do our part to endeavour to
lead out our emigrant country men
the great principle of man's universal
right to liberty; and that, through our public
press & other available means, we must en-
deavour also to arouse your recent com-
patriots to a sense of their guilt, & foster
in the hearts of ours that holy hatred
against slavery, which should exist in the
Christian breast. ++

As regards the non-resistance principle,
it has, I believe, occupied the serious atten-
tion of some amongst us; but truly its
~~the~~ full adoption would lead to great
self denial. I gently admit it for this. ++
It appears to take from under our feet
every excuse for angry feelings, no matter
how pleasurable, & to remind us, unmistakably,
that Christian weapons alone are ours. +

As for myself I can only say, I am contemplating it many months, & though I cannot yet bring myself to the point that we must renounce all appeal to or support of human governments — though how we can appeal to them, or support them, is to me, increasingly, & ten fold more difficult, & the more I look at it.

I yesterday wrote, said an intently wait to Theobald Mathew, & the first apostle of Temperance, better known as "Father Mathew." I saw thousands around me five sixty from Dublin, the two first days of this week. He expressed much regret at the exclusion of the woman delegates at the Anti-Slavery Convention in London, & asked me, with much interest, about it. I answered & then.

I could add much, dear friend, but must conclude for this night at least by cordially bidding the farewell, earnestly desiring that the day may not be far distant

"when the sun should not rise upon a tyrant, or set upon a slave"; and for this, I can find nothing higher to desire for them, that the crown of humility & love may be more & more theirs; that a more confirmed but more plentiful Redemption may watch over them; and that when finally, they enter by labour into rest, a crown of glory may be theirs. +

Affectionately, thy friend,

Richard Allen

P. S. I had almost forgotten a part of what called me to write at this time. It is to convey a message of the kindest regard from my daughter to thee, & to say that she often thinks & speaks of thee & with thee even this almost illegible scrawl

I sent to thee the week the "Debtor Unduly Shunned" & the "Inquirer" The former contained a sketch of Raymond by R. D. Webb the latter, one of Garrison's articles my hasty effusions — I also intend sending thee a Liverpool Journal of to day with another cut at you